

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

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The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received an application for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, NV0021849, from the following applicant:

Wells Manufacturing/Bloomfield Industries Division of Carrier Commercial Refrigeration, Inc. P.O. Box 280 Verdi, Nevada 89439

The Permittee proposes to continue to discharge a maximum of 55,000 gallons per day non-contact cooling water to the Truckee River via a Sierra Pacific Power Company hydrogeneration by-pass ditch in Verdi, Washoe County, Nevada. The Verdi Mutual Water Company pumped groundwater is not treated prior to or after use as cooling water. The Permittee operates a manufacturing facility that produces stainless steel commercial cooking equipment, griddles, fryers, food warmers, etc., at 2 Erik Circle. The manufacturing operations include sheet metal forming, welding, drawing, punching, and assembly of products.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NV0021849 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered, e-mailed, or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on February 8, 2007, to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree

of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other project information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bruce Holmgren, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9423 or at bholmgre@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website: http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.